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(HEARING INCREDIBLY SOGGY TOILETNATOR'S ORIGIN STORY REALLY IS EXCITING)

WARNING! YOU ARE READING THE SOOPER CLASSIFIED MISSION FILES OF THE KIDS NEXT DOOR, A TEAM OF FIVE EXCEPTIONAL 10-YEAR-OLDS DEDICATED TO FIGHTING THE TYRANNY OF ADULTS WHEREVER IT REARS ITS WRINKLY HEAD! THE SECRET'S OUT! ARE YOU IN?

NOW, LET ME SEE IF I GET THIS *RIGHT*...
...YOU DRESS UP IN A COSTUME MADE OF FLIMSY TOILET PAPER AND CHASE KIDS AROUND WHO YOU THINK ARE IN SOME SORT OF SECRET ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO FIGHTING ADULTS?
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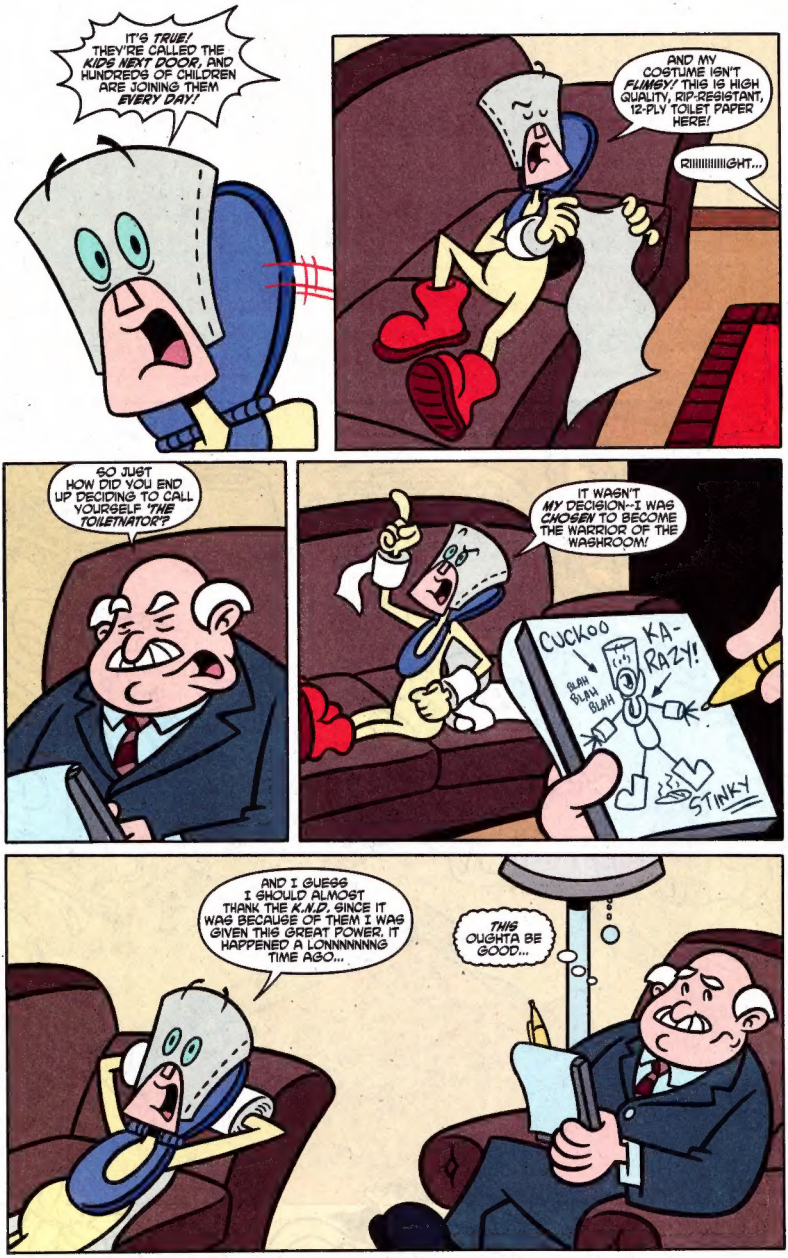
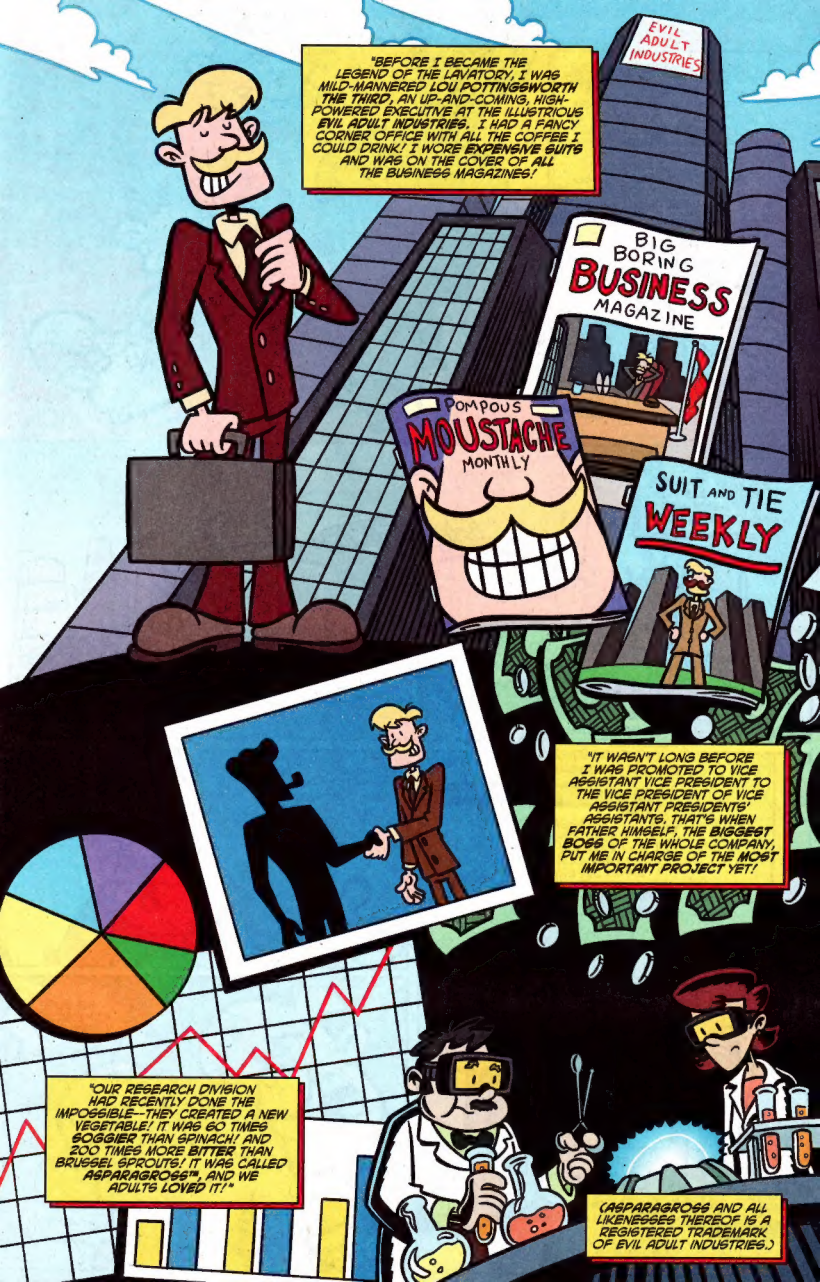
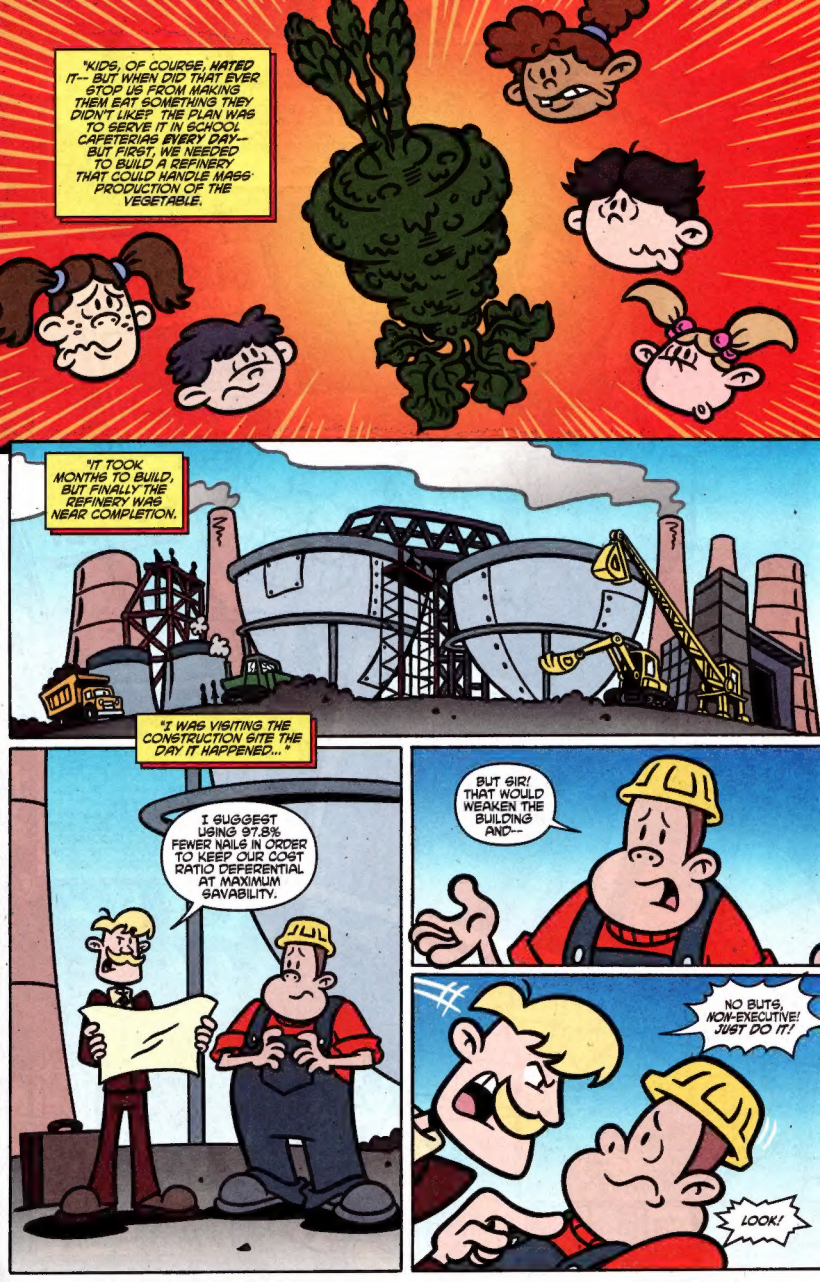

IT'S TRUE! THEY'RE CALLED THE KIDS NEXT DOOR, AND HUNDREDS OF CHILDREN ARE JOINING THEM EVERY DAY!
AND MY COSTUME ISN'T FLIMSY! THIS IS HIGH QUALITY, RIP-RESISTANT, 12-PLY TOILET PAPER HERE!
RIIIIIIIIIGHT...
SO JUST HOW DID YOU END UP DECIDING TO CALL YOURSELF "THE TOILETNATOR?
IT WASN'T MY DECISION--I WAS CHOSEN TO BECOME THE WARRIOR OF THE WASHROOM!
CUCKOO
KA-RAZY!
BLAH BLAH BLAH
STINKY
AND I GUESS I SHOULD ALMOST THANK THE K.N.D. SINCE IT WAS BECAUSE OF THEM I WAS GIVEN THIS GREAT POWER. IT HAPPENED A LONNNNNNG TIME AGO...
THIS OUGHTA BE GOOD...

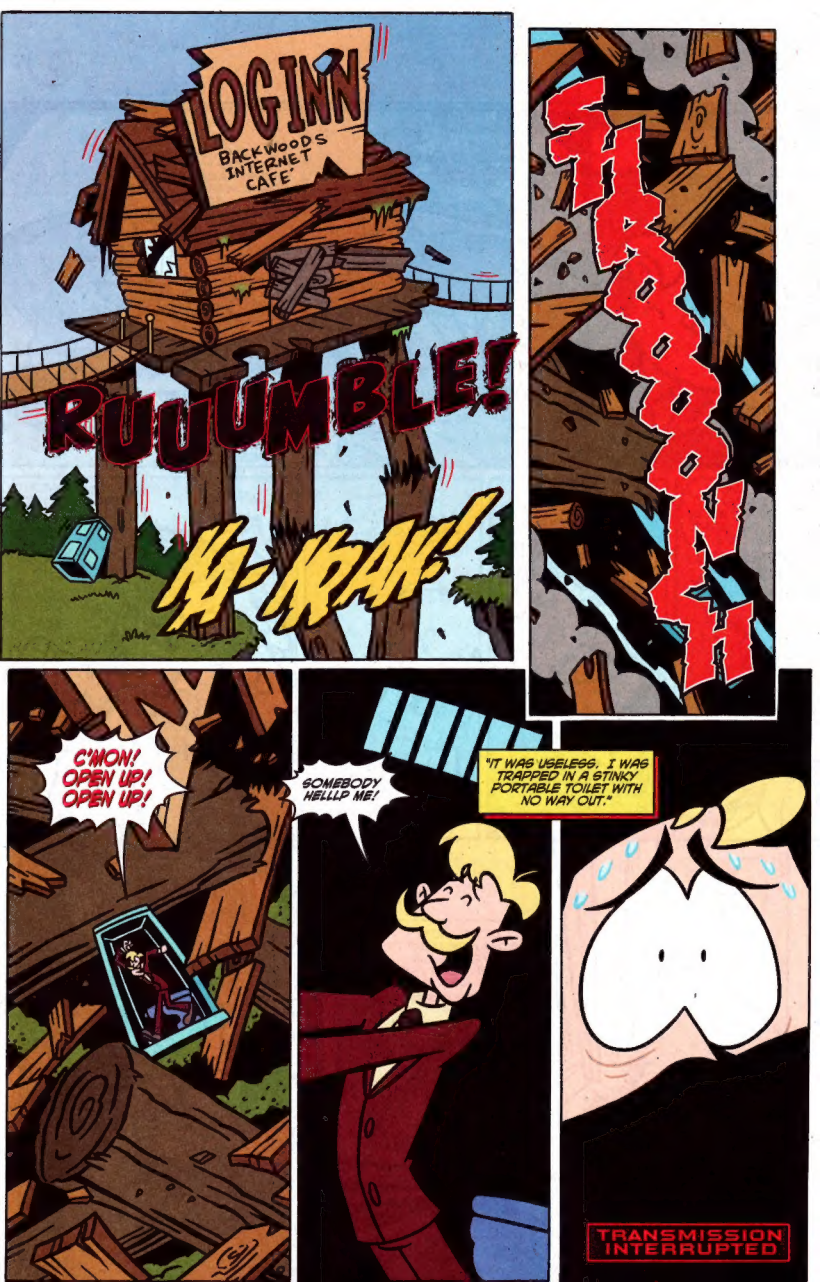

"BEFORE I BECAME THE LEGEND OF THE LAVATORY, I WAS MILD-MANNERED LOU POTTINGSWORTH THE THIRD, AN UP-AND-COMING, HIGH-POWERED EXECUTIVE AT THE ILLUSTRIOUS EVIL ADULT INDUSTRIES. I HAD A FANCY CORNER OFFICE WITH ALL THE COFFEE I COULD DRINK! I WORE EXPENSIVE SUITS AND WAS ON THE COVER OF ALL THE BUSINESS MAGAZINES!
EVIL ADULT INDUSTRIES
BIG BORING BUSINESS MAGAZINE
POMPOUS MOUSTACHE MONTHLY
SUIT AND TIE WEEKLY
"IT WASN'T LONG BEFORE I WAS PROMOTED TO VICE ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT TO THE VICE PRESIDENT OF VICE ASSISTANT PRESIDENTS' ASSISTANTS, THAT'S WHEN FATHER HIMSELF, THE BIGGEST BOSS OF THE WHOLE COMPANY, PUT ME IN CHARGE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT PROJECT YET!
"OUR RESEARCH DIVISION HAD RECENTLY DONE THE IMPOSSIBLE--THEY CREATED A NEW VEGETABLE! IT WAS 60 TIMES SOGGIER THAN SPINACH! AND 200 TIMES MORE BITTER THAN BRUSSEL SPROUTS! IT WAS CALLED ASPARAGROSS™, AND WE ADULTS LOVED IT!"
(ASPARAGROSS AND ALL LIKENESSES THEREOF IS A REGISTERED TRADEMARK OF EVIL ADULT INDUSTRIES.)


"KIDS, OF COURSE, HATED IT-- BUT WHEN DID THAT EVER STOP US FROM MAKING THEM EAT SOMETHING THEY DIDN'T LIKE? THE PLAN WAS TO SERVE IT IN SCHOOL CAFETERIAS EVERY DAY-- BUT FIRST, WE NEEDED TO BUILD A REFINERY THAT COULD HANDLE MASS PRODUCTION OF THE VEGETABLE.
"IT TOOK MONTHS TO BUILD, BUT FINALLY THE REFINERY WAS NEAR COMPLETION.
"I WAS VISITING THE CONSTRUCTION SITE THE DAY IT HAPPENED..."
I SUGGEST USING 97.8% FEWER NAILS IN ORDER TO KEEP OUR COST RATIO DEFERENTIAL AT MAXIMUM SAVABILITY.
BUT SIR! THAT WOULD WEAKEN THE BUILDING AND--
NO BUTS, NON-EXECUTIVE! JUST DO IT!
LOOK!

IT'S A FLOCK OF PIGEONS!
NO...
...IT'S THE KIDS NEXT DOOR!
FRAZAP
HEY! I DIDN'T GIVE PERMISSION FOR A BREAK! EVERYONE GET BACK TO WORK!
YOU IN THE SUIT!
HAND OVER THAT BRIEFCASE!

ABSOLUTELY NOT! THE SECRET FORMULA FOR ASPARAGROSS™ IS IN HERE AND IF YOU WANT IT YOU'LL HAVE TO GET THROUGH ME!
I WAS HOPING YOU'D SAY THAT.
GET HIM!
"THAT'S WHEN I, LOU POTTINGSWORTH THE THIRD, DECIDED TO DO WHAT ANY ULTRA-IMPORTANT EXECUTIVE WOULD DO.
"I RAN AWAY.
HELLLLLLP!!
THWAM!
ZZZAP
"I HID IN A NEARBY PORTABLE TOILET AND HOPED THOSE HORRIBLE CHILDREN WOULD GO AWAY. BUT THEN--
ZANG
"--A STRAY MUSTARD BLAST SLAMMED INTO MY HIDING PLACE!"
BA-THOOOM!

"AND I FELL...
WAAAAAAAH!
"AND FELL...
DOOF!
DAW!
GAK!
"AND... WELL, YOU GET THE POINT."
NOOOOOOOOOOOO
SPLOOSH
DOONK
OOF!
OW! MY NOSE!
THUD!
GAH!
DOOF!
CHONK!
WELL, I'M GLAD THAT'S OVER.
KA-BOOOM
UH OH...


LOG INN
BACKWOODS INTERNET CAFE
RUUUMBLE!
KA-KRAK!
SHABOOOM!
C'MON! OPEN UP! OPEN UP!
SOMEBODY HELLLP ME!
"IT WAS USELESS. I WAS TRAPPED IN A STINKY PORTABLE TOILET WITH NO WAY OUT."
TRANSMISSION INTERRUPTED

TRANSMISSION RE-ESTABLISHED

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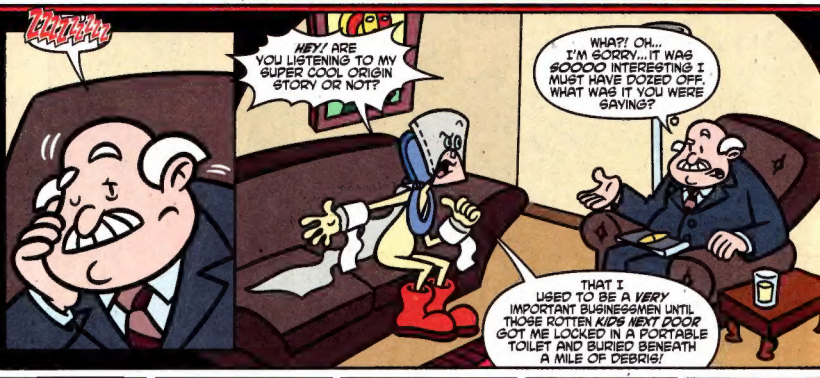
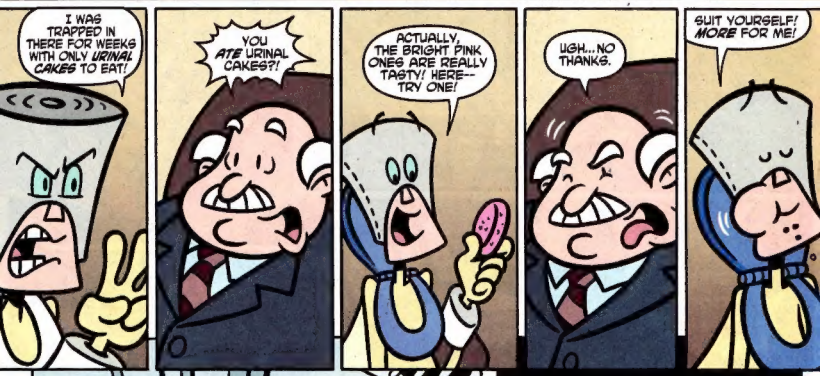
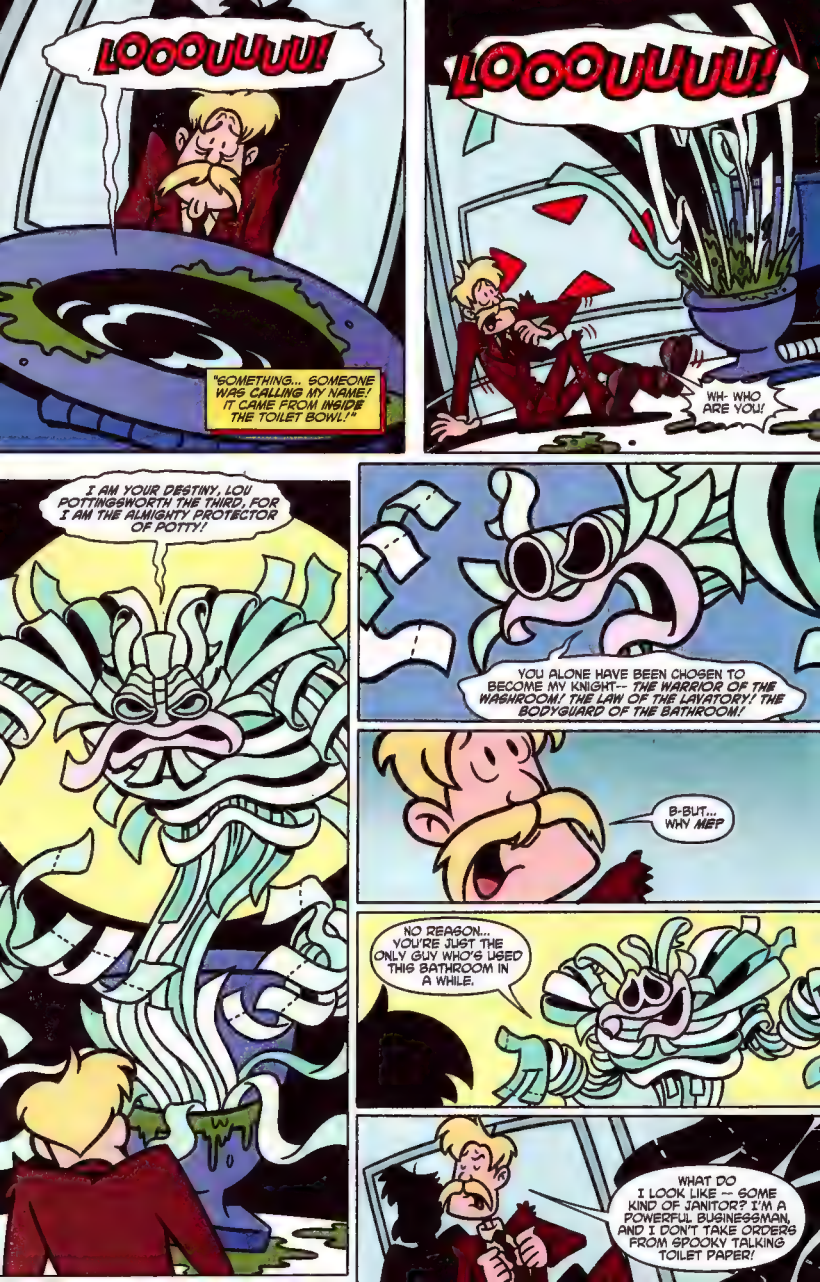
PART 8

HEARING MEREMBY SUGGS' TOILETATION'S ORIGIN STORY REALLY IS EXCITING!

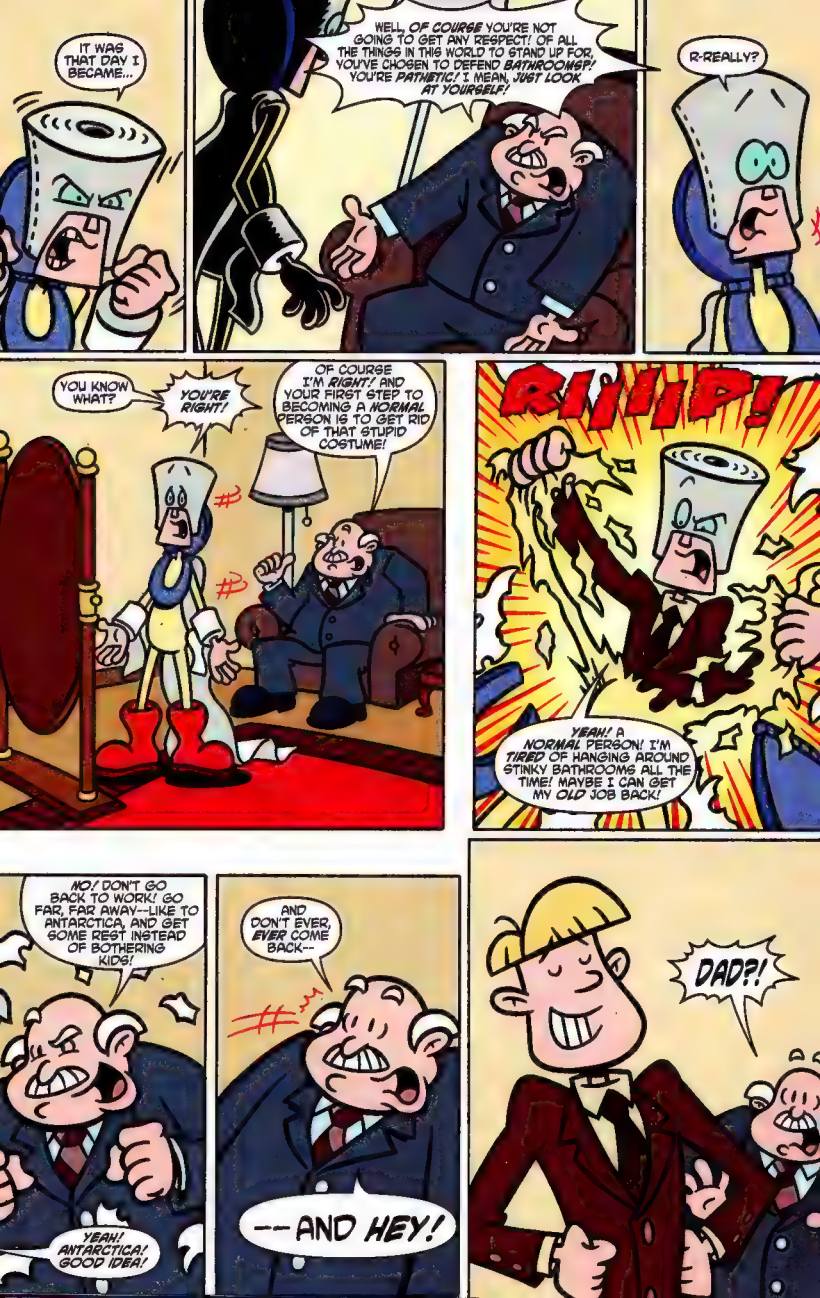

BUZZZZ...
HEY! ARE YOU LISTENING TO MY SUPER COOL ORIGIN STORY OR NOT?
WHA?! OH... I'M SORRY... IT WAS SOOOO INTERESTING I MUST HAVE DOZED OFF. WHAT WAS IT YOU WERE SAYING?
THAT I USED TO BE A VERY IMPORTANT BUSINESSMEN UNTIL THOSE ROTTEN KIDS NEXT DOOR GOT ME LOCKED IN A PORTABLE TOILET AND BURIED BENEATH A MILE OF DEBRIS!

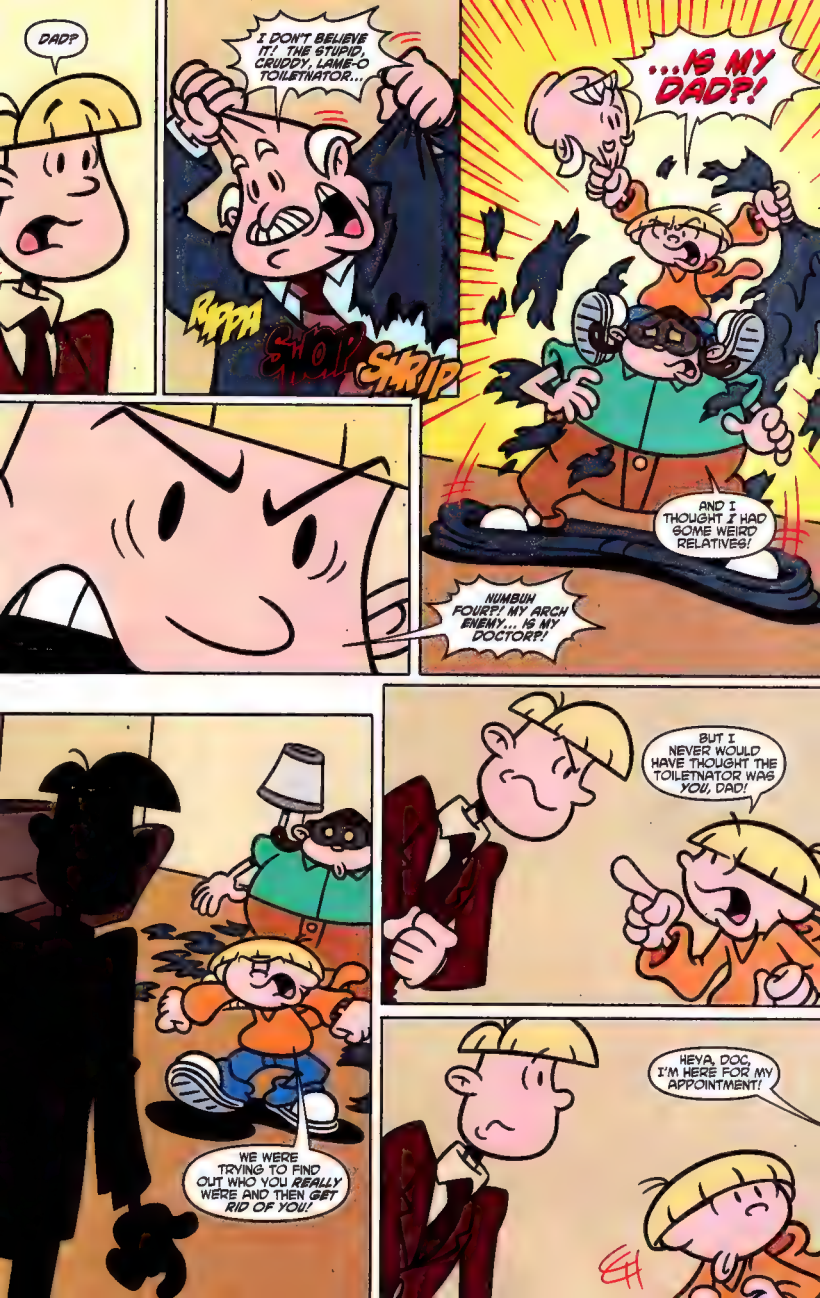

I WAS TRAPPED IN THERE FOR WEEKS WITH ONLY URINAL CAKES TO EAT!
YOU ATE URINAL CAKES?!
ACTUALLY, THE BRIGHT PINK ONES ARE REALLY TASTY! HERE-- TRY ONE!
UGH... NO THANKS.
SUIT YOURSELF! MORE FOR ME!

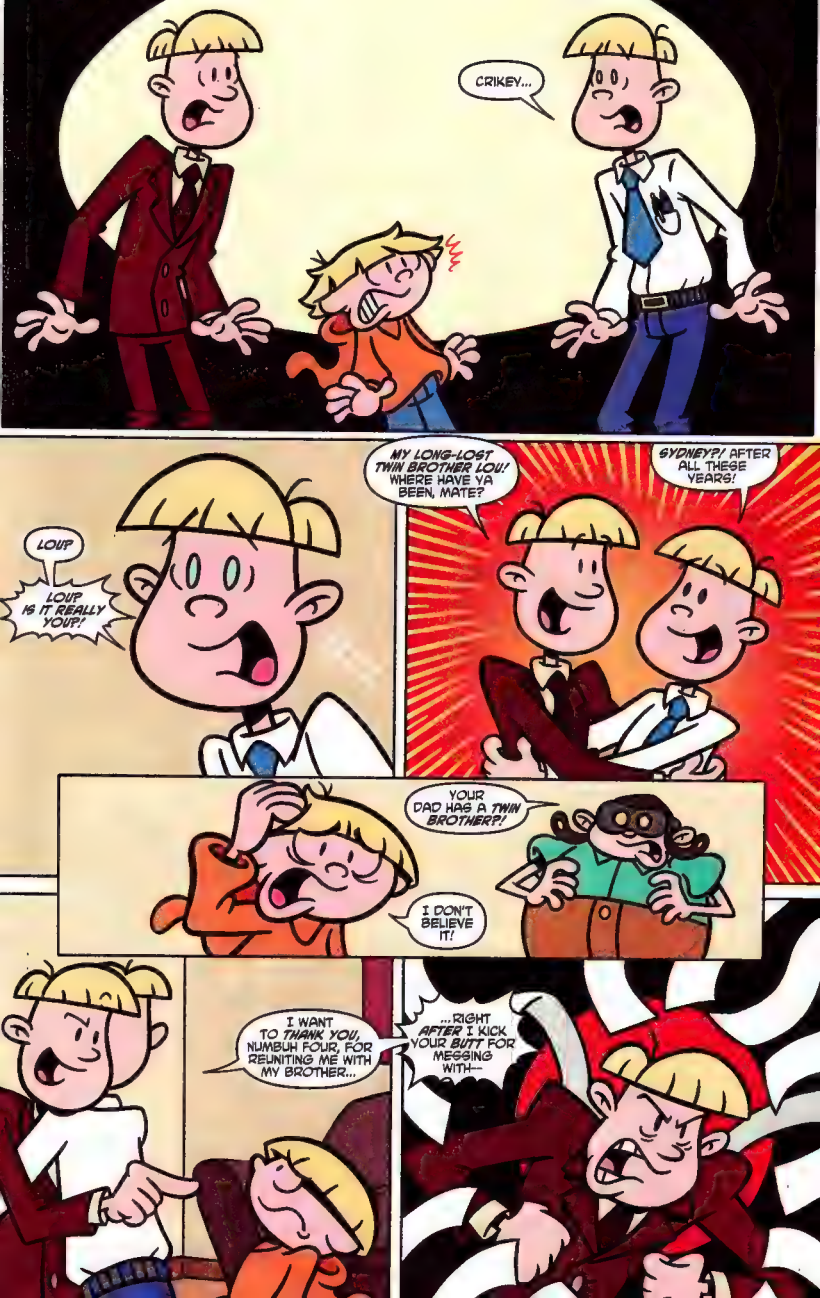

LOOOUUUU!
"SOMETHING... SOMEONE WAS CALLING MY NAME! IT CAME FROM INSIDE THE TOILET BOWL!"
LOOOUUUU!
WH- WHO ARE YOU!
I AM YOUR DESTINY, LOU POTTINGSWORTH THE THIRD, FOR I AM THE ALMIGHTY PROTECTOR OF POTTY!
YOU ALONE HAVE BEEN CHOSEN TO BECOME MY KNIGHT-- THE WARRIOR OF THE WASHROOM! THE LAW OF THE LAVATORY! THE BODYGUARD OF THE BATHROOM!
B-BUT... WHY ME?
NO REASON... YOU'RE JUST THE ONLY GUY WHO'S USED THIS BATHROOM IN A WHILE.
WHAT DO I LOOK LIKE -- SOME KIND OF JANITOR? I'M A POWERFUL BUSINESSMAN, AND I DON'T TAKE ORDERS FROM SPOOKY TALKING TOILET PAPER!

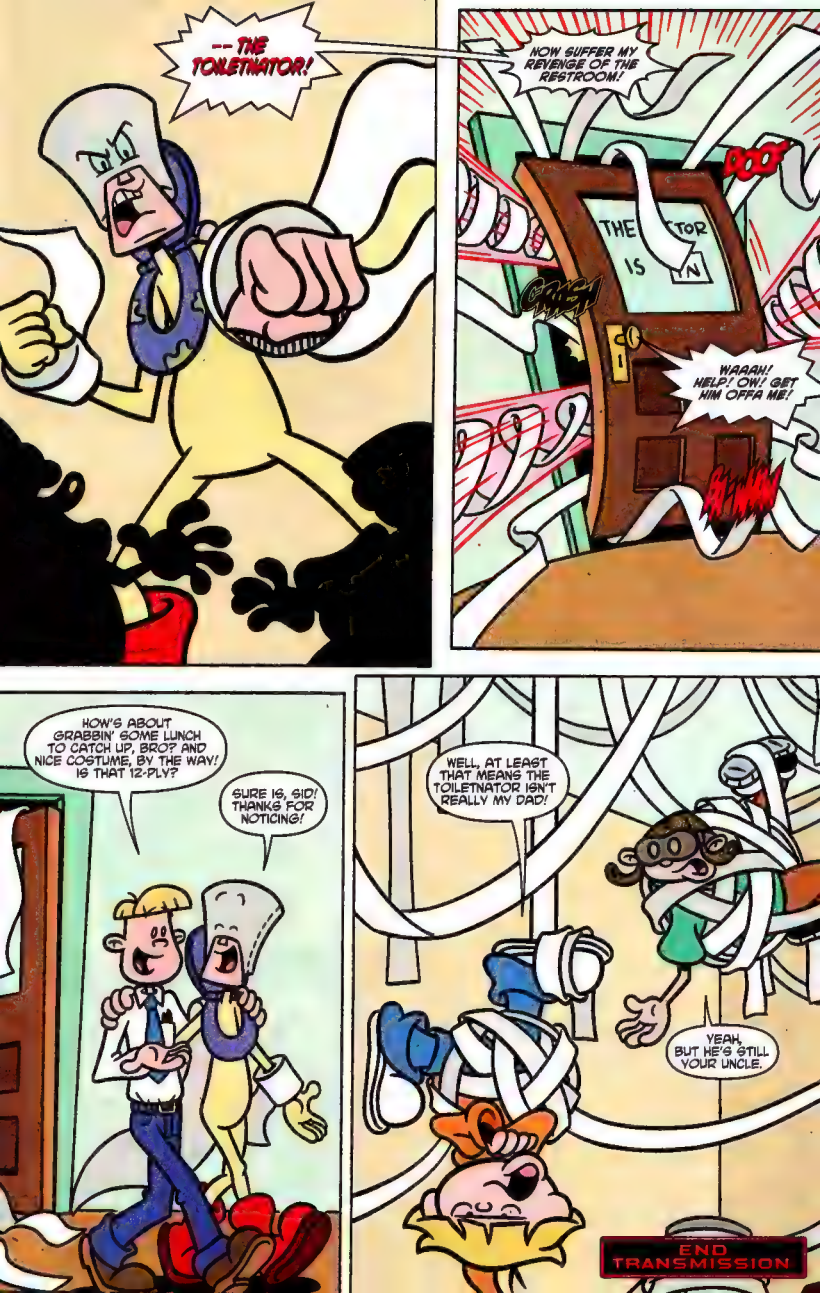
THE CHOICE IS NOT YOURS TO MAKE...
...I WILL SHOW YOU POWER!
HEY! WHAT ARE YOU--?
NOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO
I LAY THERE UNCONSCIOUS FOR WHAT FELT LIKE TWO WEEKS MORE THAN FOREVER! BUT WHEN I FINALLY AWOKE, I WAS...DIFFERENT.
"I WAS CHANGED."
BA-THOOOOOOM!

"IT WAS THAT DAY I BECAME...
"THE TOILETNATOR!
"FROM THAT DAY FORTH I CARRIED OUT MY SACRED MISSION TO PUNISH THOSE WHO WOULD POLLUTE THE POWDER ROOM!
KND RULES
"THERE WOULD BE NO MORE WRITING ON BATHROOM WALLS!
"NO MORE USING TOILET PAPER FOR ANYTHING BUT ITS TRUE PURPOSE!
FLUSH OR ELSE!
"AND THE SEVEREST PUNISHMENT OF ALL WENT TO THOSE WHO FORGOT TO FLUSH!"


IT WAS THAT DAY I BECAME...
WELL OF COURSE YOU'RE NOT GOING TO GET ANY RESPECT! OF ALL THE THINGS IN THIS WORLD TO STAND UP FOR, YOU'VE CHOSEN TO DEFEND BATHROOMS?! YOU'RE PATHETIC! I MEAN, JUST LOOK AT YOURSELF!
R-REALLY?
YOU KNOW WHAT?
YOU'RE RIGHT!
OF COURSE I'M RIGHT! AND YOUR FIRST STEP TO BECOMING A NORMAL PERSON IS TO GET RID OF THAT STUPID COSTUME!
RIIIIP!
YEAH! A NORMAL PERSON! I'M TIRED OF HANGING AROUND STINKY BATHROOMS ALL THE TIME! MAYBE I CAN GET MY OLD JOB BACK!
NO! DON'T GO BACK TO WORK! GO FAR, FAR AWAY--LIKE TO ANTARCTICA, AND GET SOME REST INSTEAD OF BOTHERING KIDS!
YEAH! ANTARCTICA! GOOD IDEA!
AND DON'T EVER, EVER COME BACK--
--AND HEY!
DAD?!


DAD?
I DON'T BELIEVE IT! THE STUPID, CRUDDY, LAME-O TOILETNATOR...
RIPPA
SHOP
SHRIP
...IS MY DAD?!
AND I THOUGHT I HAD SOME WEIRD RELATIVES!
NUMBUH FOUR? MY ARCH ENEMY... IS MY DOCTOR?!
WE WERE TRYING TO FIND OUT WHO YOU REALLY WERE AND THEN GET RID OF YOU!
BUT I NEVER WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THE TOILETNATOR WAS YOU, DAD!
HEYA, DOC, I'M HERE FOR MY APPOINTMENT!


CRIKEY...
LOU?
LOU? IS IT REALLY YOU?
MY LONG-LOST TWIN BROTHER LOU! WHERE HAVE YA BEEN, MATE?
SYDNEY?! AFTER ALL THESE YEARS!
YOUR DAD HAS A TWIN BROTHER?!
I DON'T BELIEVE IT!
I WANT TO THANK YOU, NUMBUH FOUR, FOR REUNITING ME WITH MY BROTHER...
...RIGHT AFTER I KICK YOUR BUTT FOR MESSING WITH--


--- THE TOILETNATOR!
HOW SUFFER MY REVENGE OF THE RESTROOM!
THE TOR IS N
WAAAH! HELP! OW! GET HIM OFFA ME!
HOW'S ABOUT GRABBIN' SOME LUNCH TO CATCH UP, BRO? AND NICE COSTUME, BY THE WAY! IS THAT 12-PLY?
SURE IS, SID! THANKS FOR NOTICING!
WELL, AT LEAST THAT MEANS THE TOILETNATOR ISN'T REALLY MY DAD!
YEAH, BUT HE'S STILL YOUR UNCLE.
END TRANSMISSION

BEN 10
EGGS WITH LEGS
GET OUT! ENOUGH WITH THE EGG PUNS, BEN! JUST KICK SOME BUTT!
I COULDN'T HAVE SAID IT BETTER MYSELF, GWEN.
UGH! YOU'RE AS CRACKED AS YOUR HARDBOILED PLANS, DR. ANIMO! BUT THE YOLK'S GONNA BE ON YOU ONCE I GET MY HANDS ON YA!
NOW FOR A LITTLE EGG-CITEMENT! HA HA HA!!!
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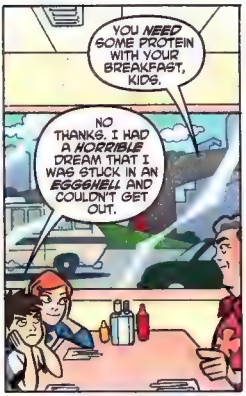
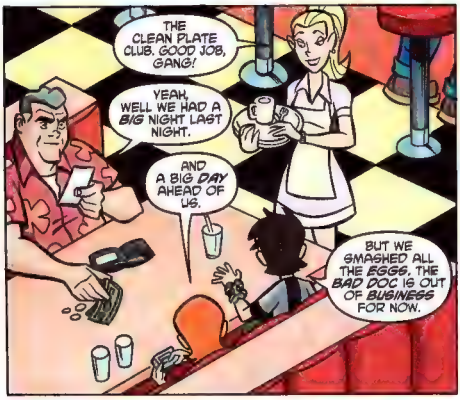
BEN 10 created by MAN OF ACTION
UH-OH! GRANDPA! IT'S TIME TO MOTOR!
GOTCHA! GRAB HOLD AND WE'LL SKEDADDLE!
HOLD ON!
I'M IN! LET'S GET SOME DISTANCE FROM THOSE STINKIN' EGGS SO WE CAN THINK!
DON'T WORRY, MY PET. YOUR FAMILY WILL RISE AGAIN, AND THEY'LL HATCH ACCORDING TO PLAN.

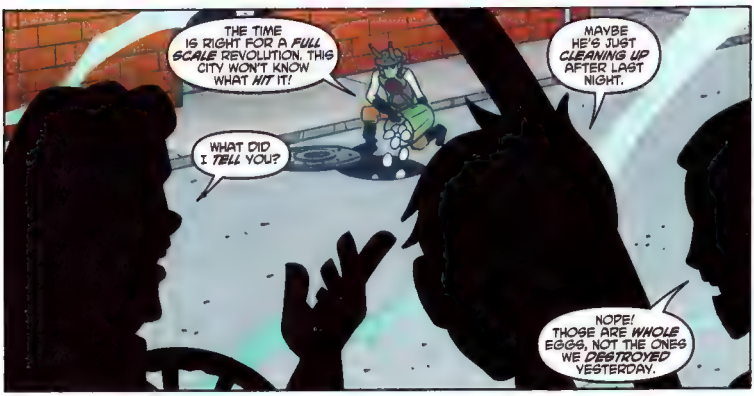
DINER
I'LL HAVE THE VEGGIE SCRAMBLE.
UGH! HOW CAN YOU EAT EGGS AFTER LAST NIGHT? I WANT A WAFFLE, PLEASE.
AND YOU, YOUNG MAN?
MAKE THAT TWO.


YOU NEED SOME PROTEIN WITH YOUR BREAKFAST, KIDS.
NO THANKS. I HAD A HORRIBLE DREAM THAT I WAS STUCK IN AN EGGSHELL AND COULDN'T GET OUT.

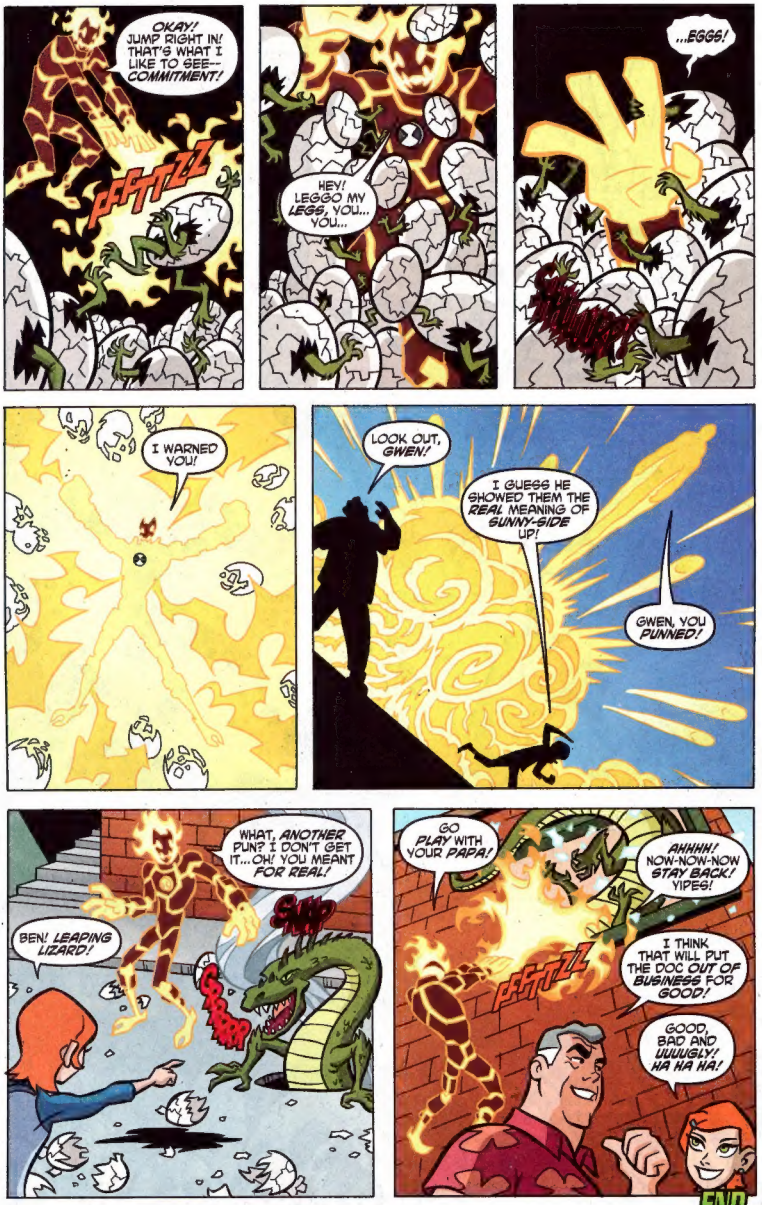
THAT'S JUST BECAUSE YOU HAD YOUR PILLOW OVER YOUR FACE ALL NIGHT. HA HA HA!


THE CLEAN PLATE CLUB. GOOD JOB, GANG!
YEAH, WELL WE HAD A BIG NIGHT LAST NIGHT.
AND A BIG DAY AHEAD OF US.
BUT WE SMASHED ALL THE EGGS. THE BAD DOC IS OUT OF BUSINESS FOR NOW.

WE'VE GOT TO GO BACK AND MAKE SURE. THAT DR. ANIMO IS A REAL REPTILE. I WON'T FEEL COMFORTABLE UNTIL WE'VE PUT HIM OUT OF BUSINESS FOR GOOD!


THE TIME IS RIGHT FOR A FULL SCALE REVOLUTION. THIS CITY WON'T KNOW WHAT HIT IT!
WHAT DID I TELL YOU?
MAYBE HE'S JUST CLEANING UP AFTER LAST NIGHT.
NOPE! THOSE ARE WHOLE EGGS, NOT THE ONES WE DESTROYED YESTERDAY.

DROP IT, ANIMO!
THAT'S DOCTOR ANIMO, AND YOU'RE TOO LATE. MY PLAN IS READY TO HATCH!
SCREECH
YOU'RE NO DOCTOR! YOU'RE A LUNATIC!
LUNATIC?! I'M A VISIONARY! MY ARMY WILL BE ALL OVER THIS CITY IN A MATTER OF MINUTES! HA HA HA!
RUUMBBBLLE
WHOA! DID YOU FEEL THAT?
IT'S THE EGGS! THEY'RE HATCHING!
BEN, HURRY!
THOSE EGGS WILL NEVER KNOW WHAT HIT 'EM!
JUST MAKE SURE YOU HIT THEM HARD!
DON'T YOU WORRY! HEATBLAST WILL FRY THEM UP GOOD!
WHOA! YOU GUYS ARE BIGGER THAN YOUR BROTHERS! NO MATTER, I'LL SCRAMBLE YOU JUST THE SAME! WHO'S FIRST?
FWOOOF!


OKAY! JUMP RIGHT IN! THAT'S WHAT I LIKE TO SEE--COMMITMENT!
PFFTTZZ
HEY! LEGGO MY LEGS, YOU... YOU...
...EGGS!
I WARNED YOU!
LOOK OUT, GWEN!
I GUESS HE SHOWED THEM THE REAL MEANING OF SUNNY-SIDE UP!
GWEN, YOU PUNNED!
WHAT, ANOTHER PUN? I DON'T GET IT... OH! YOU MEANT FOR REAL!
SNAP
BEN! LEAPING LIZARD!
GRRRR
GO PLAY WITH YOUR PAPA!
AHHH! NOW-NOW-NOW STAY BACK! YIPES!
PFFTTZZ
I THINK THAT WILL PUT THE DOC OUT OF BUSINESS FOR GOOD!
GOOD, BAD AND UUUUGLY! HA HA HA!
END

Send your letters today:

JOHNNY DC SAYS: LET THE MAIL BEGIN!

Just in case you missed the big news last month, I'm going to shout out again about the BEN 10 movie – BEN 10: RACE AGAINST TIME!

Life on the road with Ben, Gwen, Grandpa Max and the Omnitrix has never seemed so real. BEN 10, the popular animated series, comes to life in its first-ever live-action movie. Ben Tennyson is a normal 10-year-old boy... except that with a flick of his wrist, he can transform into any one of 10 alien beings with amazing superpowers, like the powerful Four Arms or the slime-spitting Stinkfly. Despite his ability to change physically, Ben is still a kid at heart and has a little trouble figuring out how to act like a superhero when the pressure is really on. The movie is directed by Alex Winter ("Bill" in BILL AND TED'S EXCELLENT ADVENTURE) and is slated to premiere in the fall.
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Dear Johnny DC,

My picture is called "Ben's Omnitrix." I like the show BEN 10. I have the first season on DVD, and I like your comics. My favorite alien is Upgrade. For Season Four, I think you need to have Ben in school.

David Judah Beauchamp, age 9
Junction, Texas

Don't worry, Ben will go back to school, sooner or later. He's enjoying a VERY long summer.
–Johnny DC

"BEN'S OMNITRIX"
BY DAVID JUDAH BEAUCHAMP

Dear Johnny DC,

This picture is called "Gwen Saves the Day." Gwen just punched somebody and got the money back to the owner.

Alyssa Beauchamp, age 5
Junction, Texas

For every Ben fan, there's a Gwen fan!
— Johnny DC

"GWEN SAVES THE DAY"
BY ALYSSA BEAUCHAMP

Dear Johnny DC,

I just bought and read issue #13. I liked seeing Ben's use of the Omnitrix to change into Grey Matter. I wonder if Grey Matter gets frostbite from the mountain snow and cold air?

I liked learning more about Maxwell Tennyson's days as Earth's secret defense force, the Plumbers. Honch, Slezak and Groombah were not very smart aliens. Groombah's act of shooting off Slezak's foot was really careless. I really like the caring "family" feel to the end of the story "Blast from the Past."

I got 13 out of 15 right on the trivia questions on the letters page. I also noticed that an answer was not given to #6. I really hope a lot of readers send in letters. I love reading CARTOON NETWORK ACTION PACK comic books!

Allen Klingelhoets
Barron, Wisconsin

I'm glad you took my trivia so seriously, Allen. You get a free point for #6. And you're right, Grey Matter did get frostbite. His brains are good but his skin is sensitive!
— Johnny DC

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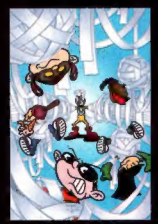
JUSTICE LEAGUE UNLIMITED #39
Gorilla City is missing, and the world's greatest sleuth is on the case: Detective Chimp!

CARTOON NETWORK BLOCK PARTY #39
Bloo has turned Foster's into his own wrestling ring! Who will stand up to The Un-Bloo-Evil Bull?

THE BATMAN STRIKES! #39
The streets of Gotham City are free of criminals, and it's Black Mask's fault! Can Batman stop him? SHOULD he?

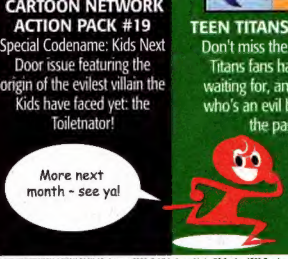
SCOOBY-DOO #126
Winters's almost here, so take a break from the cold and warm yourself up with tales of surf, sand and screams!



CARTOON NETWORK ACTION PACK #19
Special Codename: Kids Next Door issue featuring the origin of the evilest villain the Kids have faced yet: the Toiletnator!

TEEN TITANS GO! #49
Don't miss the issue that Titans fans have been waiting for, and a villain who's an evil blast from the past!

THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES IN THE 31ST CENTURY #8
What happens when you combine a first date with Triplicate Girl and a stubborn supervillain suitor?



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